

# CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

1. Project Title: Westcliff Medical Arts Building (a.k.a. Mariner's Medical Arts) (PA2008-179)

2. Lead Agency Name and Address: City of Newport Beach

Planning Division

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**Newport Beach Planning Division** 

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4. Project Location: 1901 Westcliff Drive

Newport Beach, CA 92660

Project Sponsor's Name and Address: John Bral/Westcliff Investors LLC

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6. General Plan Designation: General Commercial (CG)

7. Zoning: Commercial General (CG)

8. Introduction:

The subject property is currently occupied by an existing 17,500 (gross) square foot medical office development located at 1901 Westcliff Drive in the City of Newport Beach. The subject property, which encompasses approximately 1.65 acres (72,000 square feet), is zoned Commercial General (CG) and the General Plan Land Use Element designates the site for General Commercial (CG). The site is limited to a maximum floor area ratio (FAR) of 0.5 by the existing CG zoning and by the General Plan. The existing Mariner's Medical Arts buildings, which were completed in 1963, represent the work of the 20th Century master architect Richard Neutra and are recognized as having historical architectural significance.

## 9. Project Description:

## **Project Location**

The subject property encompasses approximately 1.65 acres located at 1901 Westcliff Drive in the City of Newport Beach. The site is generally bordered by Westcliff Drive on the north and Sherington Place on the south; existing commercial development abuts the existing development on the east and west. The applicant is also proposing off-site parking to accommodate a shortfall of parking on the subject property. The project applicant will obtain a "shared parking agreement" from the Coronado Apartment complex located at 880 Irvine Avenue. Up to 30 parking spaces will be provided in the parking garage located directly opposite the project site south of Sherington Place. The off-site parking would be utilized for employees only during business hours in order to avoid conflicts with apartment residents.

## **Existing Improvements**

The subject property currently supports three existing buildings (Building A, Building B, and Building C), which encompass 17,500 gross square feet of medical office floor area. The buildings were designed by 20<sup>th</sup> Century master architect Richard Neutra and are considered a historic resource under CEQA. The existing FAR on the site is approximately 0.25. Existing landscaping that occupies the site includes a variety of ficus, eucalyptus, olive and pine trees. Approximately 100 parking spaces, including four handicapped parking spaces, are provided on-site.

## **Project Description**

The project applicant, Westcliff Investors LLC, is proposing the development and construction of a two story steel frame office building that encompasses 12,917 gross square feet of medical office floor area that will be complementary to the three existing buildings that currently occupy the site. A carport structure and 160 square feet of storage space on the westerly side of Building A is proposed to be demolished to accommodate the development. Development of the additional floor area will result in a total of 30,257 gross square feet of medical office floor area on the subject property. The proposed project will result in a FAR of 0.42, which is consistent with the 0.50 maximum FAR limit of the zoning district and General Plan. The proposed project also includes the repair and restoration and related improvements to the existing historic structures that currently occupy the 1.65-acre property. These improvements include:

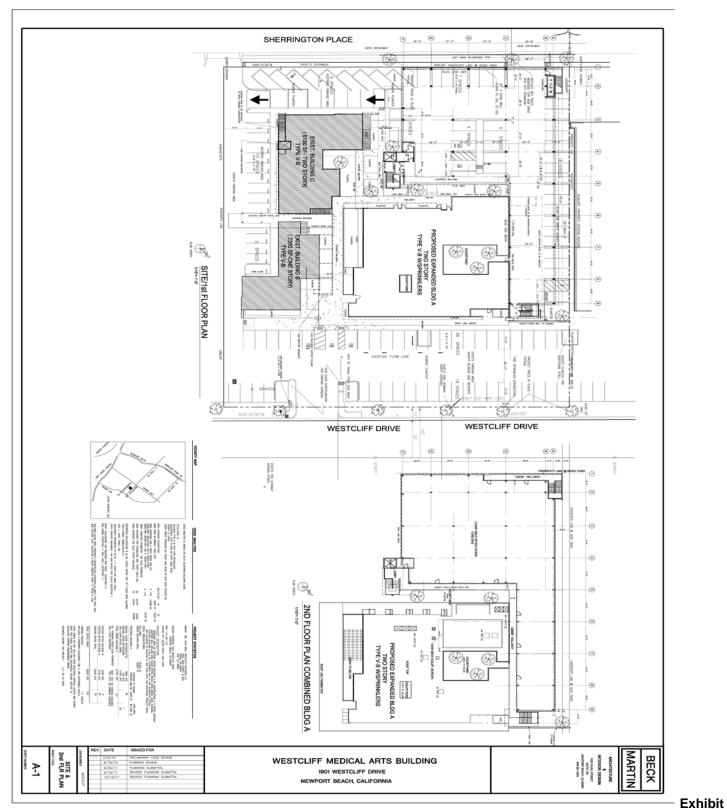
- Renovation of the parking lot along Westcliff Drive and Sherrington Place to accommodate additional parking and accessible parking spaces.
- Installation of a new project identification monument sign at the site entrance along Westcliff Drive.
- Repainting of all of the structures on the site with colors to match, as closely as possible, the existing building colors.
- Provision of a new tenant directory and suite identification signage in the project pedestrian entrance area
- Addition of fluorescent down lights to the exterior walkway covering and building overhangs fronting on Westcliff Drive, including repair and/or replacement of the lens covers on the existing, continuous recessed strip fixtures adjacent to the new down lights.
- Renovation of existing landscape throughout the site, taking into account the original project planting scheme.
- Replacement of the existing stair to the second floor of the southeast corner of Building B.
- Installation of a new elevator in Building B to meet medical use requirements.

The proposed project, as designed, includes the provision of 111 parking spaces, including three standard accessible and two van accessible stalls. The parking code requirement for the project is 152 based on the current parking code requirement of 1 space/200 square feet. The applicant is requesting a parking rate adjustment based on the prior parking code requirement of 1 space/250 square feet of floor area for the existing structures and 1 space/200 square feet for the new additional floor area, resulting in a total of 135 parking spaces that would be required. In order to accommodate the shortfall of on-site parking, the project applicant is also proposing off-site parking, which would include up to 30 parking spaces in a parking garage located directly across Sherington Place at 880 Irvine Avenue.

Exhibit 1 illustrates the proposed site plan.

The project applicant is requesting the following applications/requests for approval:

- Planned Development Permit to encourage the reservation of the existing medical office complex while accommodating the proposed development. The Planned Development Permit includes a request to adjust the on-site parking requirements (i.e., waiver of on-site parking).
- Conditional Use Permit to allow the use of off-site parking.
- Preparation of a traffic study and review pursuant to the City's Traffic Phasing Ordinance.



1 Proposed Site Plan

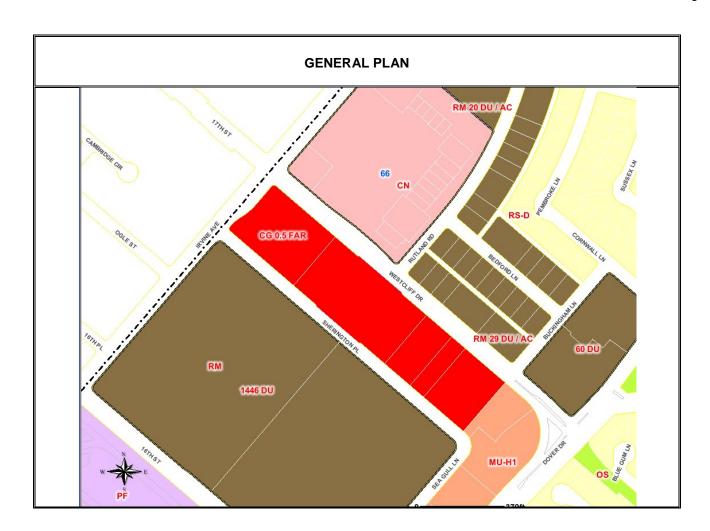
# 10. Surrounding Land Uses and Setting:

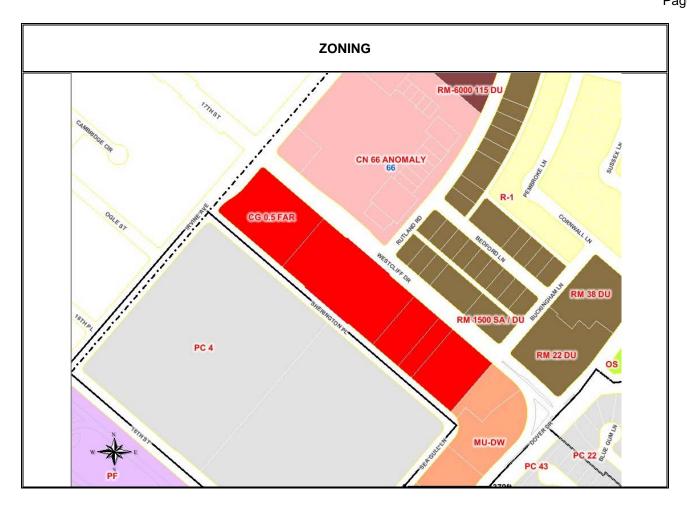
LOCATION GENERAL PLAN ZONING		CURRENT USE	
ON-SITE	General Commercial (CG)	Commercial General (CG)	Medical office complex
NORTH	Multiple-Unit Residential (RM) and Neighborhood Commercial (CN)	Multi-Unit Residential (RM) and Commercial Neighborhood (CN)	Multiple-unit dwellings and shopping center
SOUTH	Multiple-Unit Residential (RM)	Planned Community (PC-4)	Multiple-unit dwellings
EAST	CG	CG	Retail and restaurant uses
WEST	CG	CG	Professional and medical office

# 11. Other public agencies whose approval is required:

None







# **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:**

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

☑ Aesthetics	☑ Hazards & Hazardous Materials	☐ Public Services
☐ Agricultural Resources	☑ Land Use & Planning	☐ Recreation
☑ Air Quality	☐ Hydrology & Water Quality	☑ Transportation/Traffic
☐ Biological Resources	☐ Mineral Resources	☐ Utilities & Service Systems
☑ Cultural Resources	☑ Noise	☑ Greenhouse Gas Emissions
☐ Geology & Soils	☐ Population & Housing	☑ Mandatory Findings of Significance

# **DETERMINATION**

On the basis of this initial evaluation.	
I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.	e D
I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on t environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revis	he ions
in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent.  A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.	
I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.	Ø
I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect(s) on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets, if the effect is a "potentially significant impact or "potentially significant unless mitigated." An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be	ot" T
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nothing further is required.	
4/	26/12
Submitted by: Jaime Murillo, Associate Planner Planning Department	Date
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Keeton Kreitzer Consulting	

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		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less than Significant Impact	No Impact
i.	AESTHETICS. Would the project:				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?				
Natural Roads immedi zone ar design would r	posed project encompasses approximately 1.65 acres on Wester Resources Element of the Newport Beach General Plan identification Figure NR3; however, neither Public View Points nor Coastal atte vicinity of the project site. Important scenic and/or aesthetic and encompass views of bluffs, Newport Bay and surroundings, and of the proposed project, implementation of the proposed project who tresult in any significant changes to public views within the projected and no mitigation measures are required.	es both Pu View Road nenities are the coastal vill not resu	iblic View Point ds are located a generally locate areas within the lilt in substantial	s and Coas adjacent to ded within the City. Base visual impa	etal View or in the e coastal ed on the acts, and
b)	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?	V			
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c)	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?				
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d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?			$\square$	
medica Lighting illumina with sta propert	isting development is characterized by lighting that illuminates the loffice structures and nearby professional office and retail/cong will also be provided for the same purpose as that which can be the same purpose as that which can be calculated by the Newport Beach Municipal Code. It is a Lighting will be energy efficient and will also be shielded or red within the boundaries of the property, as required by the City. The structure is the same purpose and retail/congruence is the property, as required by the City.	mmercial d currently ex ne proposed Proposed I ecessed so	development ald kists (i.e., secul d medical office ighting will not that direct glare	ong Westcli rity and pa addition wil spill onto a and reflect	ff Drive. rking lot I comply adjacent tions are

and no mitigation measures are required.

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II. AGI	RICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES. Would the project:				
a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?				Ø
No Prime Farmland, Farmland of State or Local Importance, or Unique Farmland occurs within or in the vicinity of the site. The site and adjacent areas are designated as "Urban and Built-up Land" and "Other Land" on the Orange County Important Farmland Map. Furthermore, neither the site nor the adjacent areas are designated as prime, unique or important farmlands by the State Resources Agency or by the Newport Beach General Plan. Therefore, no impact on significant farmlands would occur with the proposed project and no mitigation measures are required.				County ique or	
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				
The Newport Beach General Plan, Land Use Element designates the site as General Commercial and the zoning designation for the site is Commercial General. The existing use of the site is consistent with the adopted long-range land use plans (i.e., General Plan and zoning) adopted by the City for the subject property. Therefore, there is no conflict with zoning for agricultural use, and the property and surrounding properties are not under a Williamson Act contract. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.				ige land flict with	
c)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or cause the rezoning of, forestland (as defined in Public Resources Code Section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code Section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code Section 51104(g))?				☑
offices.	oject site is neither zoned nor designated as forest land. The site Project implementation would not result in the conversion of ar No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures a	ny forest la	nd subject to th		
d)	Result in the loss of forestland or conversion of forestland to non-forest use)?				Ø
result i	cated above, the site is currently developed and is devoid of form the site's conversion of forest land to non-forest uses. No significes are required.				
e)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forestland to non-forest use?				V
The su and res	e is not being used for agricultural purposes and, as indicated probject property and the area surrounding the site are developed wit sidential uses. Therefore, no agricultural uses on the site or withing tural use. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation in	h a variety n the site's	of medical/profe vicinity would b	ssional offic	e, retail,

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III. AIR	QUALITY. Would the project:				
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				
The proposed project is consistent with the adopted Newport Beach General Plan. This long-range plan (i.e., General Plan) has been utilized by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to prepare the Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP). However, project implementation includes the intensification of medical office floor area on the 1.65-acre property that would result in the generation of additional air pollutant emissions within the air basin and, as a result, may conflict with the long-range air quality projections, even though the project would not exceed the floor area limits established by the Land Use Element and zoning adopted for the site. The Draft EIR will include an air quality analysis that evaluates the project's consistency with the South Coast AQMP.					Quality area on and, as oor area
b)	Violate any air quality standard or contribute to an existing or projected air quality violation?				
As previously indicated, the proposed project encompasses the construction of a new medical office building that would encompass approximately 13,000 square feet. Approval of the proposed project would result in conformity with the long-range land use plan (i.e., Land Use Element of the General Plan) adopted by the City of Newport Beach. Construction activity emissions can be difficult to quantify, since the exact type and amount of equipment that will be used or the acreage that may be disturbed on any given day in the future is not known with certainty. The emphasis in environmental documents relative to construction activity emission impacts has, therefore, been to minimize the emissions as much as possible through comprehensive mitigation even if the exact amount of emissions cannot be precisely quantified. In addition, the long-term, operational emissions resulting from increased stationary sources (e.g., consumption of natural gas and electricity) as well as vehicular trips would also result in increased pollutant emissions that could contribute either individually or cumulatively to the non-attainment status of the South Coast Air Basin. Therefore, the potential project-related air quality impacts resulting from construction and operation of the proposed project will be evaluated in the Draft EIR.					
c)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?	Ø			
As indicated above, the applicant is proposing to implement improvements (i.e., additional floor area) to an existing medical office development. Some temporary air pollutant emissions would be anticipated as a result of the site preparation and construction in order to accommodate the proposed increase in medical office floor area. Because it is possible that construction and operational related emissions could exceed thresholds established by the South Coast AQMD, an air quality analysis will be conducted to evaluate the proposed construction impacts. The findings and recommendations of that analysis will be presented in the Draft EIR. Therefore, the Draft EIR will present an analysis of construction-related and post-construction air quality impacts that could be anticipated as a result of project implementation.					
d)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?				

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e)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				
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IV. BI	OLOGICAL RESOURCES. Would the project:				
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				Ø
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b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?				Ø
No riparian features exist within the limits of the site or in the vicinity of the subject property, which has been substantiall altered in order to accommodate the existing development. Development of the site as proposed by the applicant will no result in any impacts to riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in the City's General Plan. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.					t will not
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				Ø
Clean	licated above, no riparian habitat exists on the subject property and Water Act occur on the site. Project implementation will not reads or riparian species. No significant impacts are anticipated and no	esult in any	potential adve	rse affects t	
d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				Ø
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e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				<b>7</b>
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f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				Ø
site. Thabita Plan.	There are no local, regional or state habitat conservation plans that would regulate or guide development of the project site. The subject property, which has been developed with professional/medical office floor area, does not support native habitat and/or species and is not included in either a Habitat Conservation Plan or a Natural Community Conservation Plan. No significant direct or indirect impacts to an existing HCP and/or NCCP will occur as a result of project implementation; no mitigation measures are required.				
٧.	CULTURAL RESOURCES. Would the project:				
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in \$15064.5?	$\overline{\checkmark}$			

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b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?				
The project site and surrounding area are located within an urbanized area of the City of Newport Beach and have been developed; the entire area is urbanized. Any near-surface archaeological resources that may have existed prior to site development likely been disturbed and/or destroyed by prior development activities. It is not likely that implementation of the project will result in any potentially significant impacts to paleontological resources because of the prior development activities that have taken place on the site and because significant grading and further landform alteration would not occur. Therefore, no potentially significant impacts to archaeological or cultural resources are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.					or to site ntation of elopment vould not
c)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				
As indicated above, the project area is located within an urbanized area of the City of Newport Beach and has been previously graded and developed. Any near-surface paleontological resources that may have existed at one time have likely been disturbed and/or destroyed by prior development activities. Further landform alteration and/or extensive grading is not necessary to implement the proposed project. Therefore, no potentially significant impacts to paleontological resources are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.					
d)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?				
The project site and surrounding areas are highly disturbed due to past urban development and there is no evidence of human remains or sites of Native American burials. Based on the degree of disturbance that has already occurred on the site (i.e., medical office floor area and surface parking) and in the vicinity of the project site, it is anticipated that project implementation would not result in potentially significant impacts to human remains. Nonetheless, the project would be subject to the provisions of Health and Safety Code Section 7050.5 and Public Resources Code Section 15064.5(f) and 5097.98 in the event human remains are encountered. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation					

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VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS. Would the project:					
<ul> <li>a) Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:</li> <li>i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.</li> </ul>			v		
The site is located near the intersection of the Southwestern Block and the Central Block of the Los Angeles Basin. The Southwestern Block is the westerly seaward portion of the Los Angeles Basin, which includes Palos Verdes Peninsula and Long Beach, and is bounded on the east by the Newport-Inglewood Fault Zone (NIFZ). The landward part of the NIFZ is a northwesterly-trending zone that extends from Beverly Hills on the north to Newport Bay on the south, where it continues offshore to the south; however, it eventually returns ashore again near La Jolla, where it is expressed by the Rose Canyon Fault. The NIFZ within the immediate project environs is not included on the State-published Alquist-Priolo Special Studies zonation map. Therefore, potential ground rupture is not anticipated. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.					
ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?			$\overline{\checkmark}$		
The subject property is located within a seismically active area. There are no known local or regional active earthquake faults on the site, and the site is not within an Alquist-Priolo Zone. However, the site is located within close proximity of several faults that are presently zoned as active or potentially active by the California Geological Survey. The site is located approximately 1.5 miles northeast of the Newport-Inglewood fault zone. Another active fault that could generate seismic activity that affects the subject property and surrounding area is the Elsinore Fault. The Newport-Inglewood and Elsinore Fault Zones could produce earthquakes of magnitude 6 – 7 on the Richter Scale, with local strong ground motion equivalent to at least VIII – IX on the modified Mercali Scale. Although episodes on those faults could cause ground shaking at the project site, it is highly unlikely that the site would experience surface rupture given the distance to those faults. Potential impacts would be less than significant with the incorporation of design features prescribed by the most current edition of the California Building Code (CBC). In addition, the preliminary geotechnical investigation prepared for the proposed project has also identified design parameters to ensure that significant groundshaking effects are adequate addressed and reduced to a less than significant level. No significant ground rupture impacts would occur as a result of project implementation.					
iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			$\overline{\mathbf{Q}}$		
The probability of occurrence of ground failure associated with severe grounding, shallow ground rupture, liquefaction, and soil strength loss) deperment the causative fault, topography, subsoils and groundwater conditions Hazards) in the Safety Element of the Newport Beach General Plan reveaurea that is subject to potential liquefaction. No groundwater was expreliminary geotechnical study prepared for the project. Based on the negligible and less than significant. Furthermore, proper design of the projectuding that associated with liquefaction, will not pose a significant hazare anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.	ends on the s, and other als that the ncountered site condition posed struct	severity of the e related factors. subject property in the borings ons, the potenti ctures will ensure	earthquake, of Figure S2 ( The state of the	distance Seismic ed in an for the action is d failure,	
iv) Landslides?	П		П	V	

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slope s	The site is devoid of slopes and no significant slopes are planned within the property. Potential effects associated with slope stability are, therefore not anticipated to have an adverse impact on the proposed project. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.					
b)	Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?			$\overline{\checkmark}$		
the pro period, erosion erosion that su Other E devices structur from pr	Implementation of the proposed project will necessitate only minor grading and excavation necessary to accommodate the proposed structure, which will temporarily expose on-site soils to potential erosion during construction. In that interim period, it is possible that some erosion may occur, resulting in some sedimentation; however, in order to ensure that erosion and sedimentation are minimized, the applicant will be required to prepare and submit an adequate drainage and erosion control plan, which complies with current City standards. Further, the proposed site will be engineered to ensure that surface/subsurface drainage does not contribute to erosion or adversely affect the stability of project improvements. Other Best Management Practices (BMPs) required to ensure that potential erosion is minimized include slope protection devices, plastic sheeting, inspection for signs of surface erosion, and corrective measures to maintain, repair or add structures required for effective erosion and sediment movement from the site. As a result, potential impacts occurring from project implementation, including those anticipated during grading and after development of the site, will be avoided or reduced to a less than significant level with the implementation of the requisite BMPs.					
c)	Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?			Ø		
Refer to Section VI.a.iv, above. As previously indicated, potential slope failure/landslide potential is not anticipated because no slopes exist on the subject property and none are proposed. Laboratory testing conducted on the site soils concluded that soils at basement depths do not have expansion potential. The site is not subject to landslide potential or significant adverse geotechnical constraints such as liquefaction, subsidence and/or collapse. Therefore, site preparation and design of the proposed structures in accordance with the recommendations contained in the preliminary geotechnical report and compliance with the City's grading ordinance and relevant standards as well as compliance with the California Building Code will ensure that potential impacts will be avoided or reduced to a less than significant level. No significant impacts are anticipated and not mitigation measures are required.					ite soils ential or paration echnical alifornia	
d)	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18- 1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?					
Based on an analysis of the subject property (Bagahi Engineering, Inc.; June 5, 2003), the on-site surface materials have a very low to low expansion index and, therefore, no expansion potential. In addition, on-site soils are characterized by very low sulfate content. Based on the preliminary geotechnical study conducted for the proposed project, construction is feasible from a geotechnical engineering perspective and will not adversely affect geotechnical conditions of adjacent properties, provided the grading and foundation plans incorporate the appropriate geotechnical engineering recommendations presented in that report as well as compliance with the regulatory requirements prescribed by the City of Newport Beach and State of California in the CBC. In addition, the subsequent soils engineering report that will be conducted for the proposed project will prescribe appropriate measures to address the existing on-site soils conditions. With the incorporation of these recommendations, no potentially significant impacts will occur and no mitigation measures are required.						
e)	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?				V	

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The project will be connected to existing sewer lines located in adjacent streets. No septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems are proposed. Therefore, no significant impacts related to the implementation of an alternative waste disposal system are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.							
VII. GR	VII. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS. Would the project:						
a)	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?	Ø					
constru Draft E	implementation will result in short-term construction-related ction equipment and vehicles as well as long-term, stationary- a IR will evaluate the potential effects of the short- and long-term grentation.	ind mobile-	source operation	nal emission	s. The		
b)	Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?						
The proposed project, which includes the construction of approximately 13,000 square feet of additional medical office floor area, which is consistent with the long-range plans adopted by the City of Newport Beach for the project area. However, the increase will result in additional demands for natural gas and electricity as well as an increase in vehicular trips, which could generate greenhouse gases that exceed the threshold established by the State and/or South Coast Air Quality Management District. The air quality analysis conducted for the proposed project will evaluate the project's consistency with applicable plans, policies and/or regulations adopted by the State and AQMD and City of Newport Beach.							
VIII. H	AZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. Would the project:						
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?			Ø			
Construction activities associated with the proposed project would include oil, gas, tar, construction materials and adhesives, cleaning solvents and paint and other similar construction-related materials. Transport of these materials to the site and use on the site would only create a localized hazard in the event of an accident or spills. Hazardous materials use, transport, storage and handling would be subject to federal, state and local regulations to reduce the risk of accidents. Equipment maintenance and disposal of vehicular fluids is subject to existing regulations, including the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). Given the nature of the project in terms of scope and size (i.e., expansion of the existing Mariner's Medical Arts buildings with an additional 13,000 square feet of floor area), it is							

anticipated that normal storage, use and transport of hazardous materials will not result in undue risk to construction workers on the site or to persons on surrounding areas. The use and disposal of any hazardous materials on the site and in conjunction with the project will be in accordance with existing regulations. With the exception of quantities of pesticides, fertilizers, cleaning solvents, paints, etc., that are typically used to maintain the landscaping on the property, continued use of the property as a medical office complex will not result in the storage or use of significant quantities of hazardous materials beyond that currently used. As a result, no significant impacts are anticipated related to the use,

disposal and/or storage of hazardous materials in association with the proposed uses.

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as med be the s any add would b (MWMF and rele and dis Complia	the proposed increase in medical office floor area, some medical sical waste would be stored in the proposed in the new structure(s); same as that which currently occurs in the existing portion of the number of the structure of the proposed medical offices are required to register with the OCHCA and would also be required by that includes an Emergency Action Plan, which delineates the eases of medical waste. This plan also addresses surface cleanup sinfecting procedures. Any such materials will be stored and us ance with the MWMP and related OCHCA and related Public Hestignificant impacts would occur.	thowever, the however, the howe	the storage of the development is a result of the damage and Medical Wast is for properly had clothing and equipmescribed manifers.	ese materia and would refloor area exe Managem andling on-squipment to be the form by the form of the	Is would not pose cpansion ent Plan ite spills oe used, OCHCA.	
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?			Ø		
utilize h will not	cated above, with the exception of medical supplies and related for azardous materials, either during construction or operation of the purceate a significant hazard to the public or the environment throughout of an accident. No significant impacts are anticipated as a result of an accident.	roject. The gh the pote	refore, implemential release of	ntation of the	e project	
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?					
No schools are located within one-quarter mile of the subject property. Nonetheless, although project implementation will result in the potential construction of additional structures on the site to accommodate the nearly 13,000 square feet of medical office floor area proposed, or other activities that could affect sensitive receptors (e.g., dust and particulate emissions, etc.), the release of potential contaminants would be appropriately addressed through standard conditions and regulations prescribed by the regulatory agencies having jurisdiction (AQMD and OCHCA). No other potential release of hazardous materials would occur as a result of Project implementation. Therefore, no mitigation measures are required.						
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites which complied pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?	Ø				

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e)	For a project within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?			Ø		
The project site is located approximately 2.5 miles south-southwest of John Wayne Airport (JWA). The 1.65-acre property is located within for the Airport Environs Land Use Plan (AELUP) Notification Area (i.e., FAR Part 77) for JWA. The subject property is located outside the John Wayne Airport Impact Zones and outside the 60dBA CNEL noise contour; therefore, operations at JWA would not pose a safety hazard for the existing medical office building related facilities or future occupants and/or visitors at the site. The City's General Plan is consistent with the AELUP for JWA. Since the proposed project does not require an amendment to the General Plan or Zoning Code, will not exceed 200 feet Above Ground Level (AGL), and does not include the development of a heliport/helistop, the project does not require review by the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) for a determination of consistency in accordance the AELUP. Therefore, no significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.						
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?					
result i medica aviation	The subject property is not located within proximity to a private airstrip. Development of the site as proposed will not result in potential adverse impacts, including safety hazards from a private airport, to people utilizing the proposed medical office expansion or others residing or working in the project area. Therefore, no significant impacts related to aviation activities occurring at a private airstrip will occur as a result of project implementation and no mitigation measures are necessary.					
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?			Ø		

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case of designal and the seismid minimiz potential routes	ty of Newport Beach has prepared an Emergency Operations Plant a major emergency. Coast Highway is designated as an evaculated for emergency use within the Emergency Operations Plan. The City of Newport Beach is in terms of risks to persons and persons shaking, development pursuant to building and fire code required and disasters. Development of the subject property as proposed or the adopted emergency operations planning program(s) being all circulation impacts associated with construction will be evaluated.	ation route e primary c onal prope nents will e within a flo will not adv implemen	in the City. The concern of the Purty. Although the nsure that the pood hazard area wersely affect eited by the City.	e project single project size is a site is a cotential important or subject ther the every of Newportal size.	Element ubject to bacts are to such vacuation t Beach.	
h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?					
Newpo of New would i pose a signific	Neither the project site nor the surrounding areas are located within a "Potential Fire Hazard Area" as identified by the Newport Beach General Plan Public Safety Element. The subject property is located within an urbanized area of the City of Newport Beach. No significant areas of natural vegetation and/or habitat exist on the site and the proposed project would not be directly affected by the potential for wildland fires. There are no major urban or wildland fire hazards that pose a significant threat to the development. Therefore, the site is not subject to a potential risk of wildland fires. No significant impacts as a result of wildland fires will occur if the project is implemented and no mitigation measures are necessary.					
IX. HY	DROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY. Would the project:					
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?			Ø		
The pr	onosed project would result in the demolition of portions of the	victina foo	tures on the site	a including	evietina	

The proposed project would result in the demolition of portions of the existing features on the site, including existing parking areas. In addition, the project involves the construction of approximately 13,000 additional square feet of medical office floor area. Although his increase in floor area would result in the generation of additional raw sewage, it would be similar in nature to that generated by the adjacent properties and would not significantly affect wastewater treatment. Waste discharges associated with this project that could affect water quality would be limited to non-point source discharges, including potential storm water runoff of construction materials and wastes and storm water runoff from the developed site. This project would not generate any point sources of water pollution; all wastewater generated by the proposed project would discharge directly to the City's sanitary sewer system, which would not affect the present permit to operate the affected wastewater treatment plant.

Potentially adverse water quality impacts during the construction phases would be avoided through compliance with existing regulatory programs administered by the City of Newport Beach and the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB). While it is impossible to anticipate all potential environmental issues that could arise on a daily basis during the course of the project, the site will be designed to address sediment and erosion control for both temporary (i.e., construction) and long-term (i.e., operational) activities occurring on the subject property. The water quality features incorporated into the project will be selected to address the main pollutants of concern for a project of this type, and for the impacted water body, i.e. Newport Bay, which is listed as an "impaired" water body under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act, with respect to copper, nutrients, pathogens, pesticides (e.g., chlordane, DDT, PCBs, etc.), and sediment toxicity. There are no pre-existing water quality issues identified for the site, nor has there been any indication of past soil contamination since the site was developed.

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The pollutants of concern associated with the proposed project include sediment, nutrients, pathogens (i.e., bacteria/viruses), and pesticides. In accordance with City requirements, appropriate BMPs will be incorporated into the project design to ensure that water quality impacts are minimized. Such BMPs include the incorporation of landscaping into the parking lot, driveways, and around the proposed structures to maximize permeable area, construction of minimum width drive aisles, etc. It is important to note that no water quality features exist within the limits of the project site. As a result, surface runoff currently emanating on the site and entering Newport Bay is not treated. However, project implementation will incorporate BMPs as indicated below that will treat the surface runoff associated with the existing and proposed development and will discharge treated water that will meet prescribed discharge requirements.

#### Standard Conditions

- SC-1 The project applicant shall obtain coverage under the General Construction Activity Storm Water Permit (General Construction Permit) issued by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The applicant must file a notice of intent (NOI) with the SWRCB. applicant will be required to prepare a storm water pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) and submit the plan for review and approval by the City of Newport Beach. At a minimum, the SWPPP shall include a description of construction materials, practices, and equipment storage and maintenance; a list of pollutants likely to contact storm water; site-specific erosion and sedimentation control practices; a list of provisions to eliminate or reduce discharge of materials to storm water; BMPs, and an inspection and monitoring program. Implementation of the SWPPP shall begin with the commencement of construction and continue though the completion of the project.
- SC-2 The project applicant shall submit an erosion and sedimentation control plan to the City of Newport Beach for review and approval. All work shall incorporate all applicable BMPs for the construction industry, including BMP's for dust, erosion and water quality. The measures should include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - Install filter materials and other BMPs acceptable to the City of Newport Beach at the storm drain inlets nearest to the project site; site dewatering activities; street washing activities; and saw cutting asphalt or concrete in order to retain any debris flowing into the storm drain system. All BMPs shall be maintained and/or replaced as necessary to ensure effectiveness and prevent street flooding.
  - Ensure that concrete/granite supply trucks or concrete/plaster finishing operations do not discharge wash water into water courses, street gutters, or storm drains.
  - Direct and locate tool and equipment cleaning so that wash water does not discharge into the street, gutters, or storm drains.
  - Create a contained and covered area on the site for storage of bags of cement, paints, flammables, oils, fertilizers, pesticides, or any other materials used on the project site that have the potential for being discharged to the storm drain system by the wind or in the event of a material spill. No hazardous waste material should be stored on-site.
  - Gather all construction debris on a regular basis and place in a covered dumpster or other container
    which is emptied or removed on a weekly basis (or other interval approved by the City of Newport Beach).
     When appropriate, use tarps on the ground to collect fallen debris or splatters that could contribute to
    storm water pollution.
  - Remove all dirt, gravel, refuse, and green waste from the sidewalk, street pavement, and storm drain system adjoining the project site. During wet weather, avoid driving vehicles off paved areas and other outdoor work.

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	<ul> <li>As appropriate, broom sweep the street pavement adjoir mud or dirt should be scraped from these areas before so site must be cleaned and secured against potential erosi and/or storm drains.</li> </ul>	weeping. At	the end of each	workday, t	he entire
	<ul> <li>All erosion and sedimentation control measures implem construction site and materials management shall be in st in the latest edition of the Erosion and Sediment Control F</li> </ul>	trict accorda	nce with the co	ntrol standa	
	All erosion and sedimentation control measures shall be monito measures are insufficient to control sedimentation and erosion implementation of additional and more effective measures immediately.	then the			
SC-3	The project applicant shall submit a Water Quality Management review and approval. The project WQMP shall be designed requirements in the RWQCBs Permit (R8-2009-0030, the app WQMPs technical guidance document and any City of Newport Be	d and imp proved mod	lemented in a lel water qualit	ccordance	with the
b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				Ø
deman greate ground meet to not aff	roject would not result in a significant increase in water demand ands would be met through a connection to the City's domestic war than the existing demand; however, the additional floor area withwater supplies and would not interfere with groundwater recharge the water demands of this project. There are no water wells located fect any existing wells or require any new water wells, the project inificant impacts to groundwater recharge are anticipated and no mit	ater system rould not sige. No wate on or near will not resu	The demand gnificantly impacer wells are properties to the site, and sinult in the lowerin	for water vert the City's cosed or rece this project of the wa	would be existing quired to ect would
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?			Ø	
	eam or river exists on site, which is developed with a professional portion of the property that is the subject of the proposed improver				

The portion of the property that is the subject of the proposed improvements encompasses an area of the site that is covered with surface parking and is impervious. Under existing conditions, the project site generally sheet flows through the existing parking lot and drains to existing catch basins in the adjacent streets. Although portions of on-site soils would be exposed during site development, a variety of Best Management Practices (BMPs) would be implemented both during construction and during the long-term operation of the proposed project to minimize potential erosion of the underlying soils. Furthermore, compliance with applicable building, grading and water quality codes and policies, which are performed during the plan check stage, will ensure that surface flows can be accommodated and water quality protected, including potential erosion. As a result, no significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.

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d)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of a course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on or off-site?					
Because the site is nearly entirely developed and covered with impervious surfaces, project implementation will not result in any significant changes in drainage patterns, either on the site or in the project area. Post development drainage patterns will be the same as pre-construction. Neither the volume nor velocity of the post-development surface runoff would increase as a result of project implementation. In addition, the proposed project would not result in flooding either on- or off-site because the proposed project will be designed to direct and accommodate project-related storm flows to existing storm drain facilities, which are adequate to accommodate post-development runoff. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.						
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?					
As indicated above, the entire site is developed and covered with impervious surfaces, including structures and surface parking. Although the proposed development may result in a slight increase in storm runoff at the project, the site will be designed to facilitate post-development storm flows and direct those flows to existing storm drain facilities, which have adequate capacity to accept the project-related storm runoff, and cannot exceed pre-development storm flows pursuant to current requirements imposed by the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Any potential increase in storm flows must be retained on-site in order to meet such requirements. Therefore, no significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.						
f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?					
As previously indicated, no significant changes in surface runoff are anticipated as a result of the development of the subject property as proposed that could result in potentially significant impacts to water quality. However, the project will be designed to comply with all relevant building, grading and water quality codes and policies to ensure that there will not be an adverse effect on water quality, either during construction or during the operational life of the project. As previously indicated, the applicant will be required to prepare an Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), which will identify both structural and non-structural features intended to minimize erosion and sedimentation as well as other water quality impacts that would occur during the construction phase. In addition, measures will be prescribed that would minimize potential water quality impacts that will also be implemented to achieve the pollutant reduction (i.e., on-site or off-site). In addition to those post-development BMPs, final plan check will include the requirement for the preparation of an adequate drainage and erosion control plan that must be found to meet applicable standards. Therefore, no significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.						
g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?				$\square$	
by the propose	The subject property is not located within the 100-year flood plain as delineated on the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the City of Newport Beach. No residential development is proposed. Therefore, neither homes nor other structures would be placed within the 100-year flood plain and no significant impacts would occur.					
h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?				$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$	

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As indicated above, the subject property is not located within the line the proposed project will not result in the placement of structures the impacts will occur as a result of project implementation and no mitigate.	at would impede	or redirect flood				
i) Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injur or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of t failure of a levee or dam?				Ø		
Neither the project site nor the project area is not located within a flue to dam or levee failure. Figure S3 (Flood Hazards) in the New property is not located within the limits of any flood hazard in the exproject implementation will not result in a potentially significant impact	port Beach Safe vent of failure of	ty Element indica any reservoir in	ates that the the City. Th	subject		
j) Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?						
area or other areas of direct coastal influence. Tsunamis (i.e., seimovement that is primarily vertical in nature. The subject property Figure S1 (Coastal Hazards) in the City's Safety Element. According waves would threaten the lower elevations along the Newport Beauton subject to the effects of a tsunami. No significant impacts are and Seiche is defined as a standing wave oscillation effect generated wind, tidal current, and earthquake. Seiche potential is highest in The subject property is located well beyond the area that could paddition, Newport Harbor, which is located approximately one-hards.	The subject property is located within the City of Newport Beach and is not within the area of influence of Newport Harbor area or other areas of direct coastal influence. Tsunamis (i.e., seismic sea waves) are generated on offshore faults by movement that is primarily vertical in nature. The subject property is not within a Tsunami Hazard Zone illustrated on Figure S1 (Coastal Hazards) in the City's Safety Element. According to that figure, in the event of a tsunami, surge waves would threaten the lower elevations along the Newport Beach coastline and in Newport Bay; however, the site is not subject to the effects of a tsunami. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.  Seiche is defined as a standing wave oscillation effect generated in a closed or semi-closed body of water caused by wind, tidal current, and earthquake. Seiche potential is highest in large, deep, steep-sided reservoirs or water bodies. The subject property is located well beyond the area that could potentially be inundated as a result of a seiche. In addition, Newport Harbor, which is located approximately one-half mile south of the project area, lacks significant potential for damaging seiche because it is very shallow. As a result, no significant impacts are anticipated and no					
X. LAND USE AND PLANNING. Would the proposal:						
a) Physically divide an established community?						
The 1.65-acre site supports an approximately 17,500 square foot medical office development. The proposed project includes the construction of a new office structure that encompasses approximately 13,000 square feet of additional medical office floor area. As indicated previously, the area surrounding the subject property is entirely developed with mixed-use development, including multiple-unit residential, professional office, and retail/commercial land uses. In particular, project implementation does not include features that would physically divide or otherwise adversely affect or change an established community (e.g., roadways, flood control channels, etc.). The additional office floor area proposed would not exceed the 0.5 FAR permitted by the General Plan and zoning adopted for the site. Both the proposed use and intensity of the project is consistent with the uses and intensities of development existing along Westcliff Drive. Therefore, no significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.						
b) Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?	not					

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(CG/0. examp historic the probecaus require resider site pa	gh project implementation is consistent with the adopted land use 5 FAR) adopted for the site, the proposed project may conflict wole, the existing structures on the site that comprise the Mariners Metally significant. Although the proposed land use is compatible with proposed alterations to the historically significant structure may result see the proposed project provides only 111 parking spaces on-site ement, the project applicant is requesting a parking adjustment and initial property to accommodate parking demand for the proposed prorking and the relationship of the proposed structure with the existing at will be prepared. An analysis of relevant General Plan policies tent with the long-range plans, policies and programs adopted by the	ith adopted dical Arts E the existing tin potential and does the ability to be preceded to the preceded the ability to be preceded to the ability to the abi	policies in the suilding have be a land uses in the ally significant in not meet the coutilize off-site efore, parking shuctures will be epared to detern	General Place determing the vicinity of appacts. In a current parking at a cortfall/proportion of the current proportion of the current parking at a current	an. For ed to be the site, addition, ng code a nearby osed off-he Draft	
c)	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?				V	
Furthe plan a	As previously indicated, the subject property is currently developed as a professional/medical office development. Furthermore, the project site is not located within or adjacent to natural habitat and is not subject to a habitat conservation plan area or natural community conservation plan area. Therefore, no significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.					
a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				Ø	
The project site is currently developed as professional/medical office floor area. Neither the Newport Beach General Plan (Land Use Element and/or Recreation and Open Space Element) nor the State of California Department of Conservation has identified the project site or environs as a potential mineral resource of Statewide or regional significance. No mineral resources are known to exist and, therefore, project implementation will not result in any significant impacts.						
b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan, or other land use plan?				Ø	
locally improv	As indicated above, the Newport Beach General Plan does not identify the project environs as having potential value as a locally important mineral resource site. Project implementation (i.e., new medical office structures and related improvements) as proposed will not result in the loss of any locally important mineral resource site and, therefore, no significant impacts will occur.					
XII. N	OISE. Would the project result in:					
a)	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?					

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propert and in site to extende etc., ar general nearby	oject site and vicinity are located within an urbanized area. John ty; however, noise from that aviation facility does not affect the site the project environs is the result of vehicular traffic utilizing Westclithe north and south. The 60 dBA CNEL noise contour associates into the property. According to the City's Noise Element, office e "clearly compatible" uses up to 65 dBA CNEL and "normally compution of a significant number of vehicular trips could result in an increase the potential noise impacts that may be anticipated from project	e. Ambient  If Drive and  ed with ver  buildings, i  batible" uses  ease in am  An acoust	noise levels on Sherington Ave nicular travel ald including R&D, s up to 75 dBA C bient noise leve tical analysis w	the subject enue, which ong those ro professional CNEL. Howe Is that could	property abut the badways I offices, ever, the I expose
b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive ground borne vibration or ground borne noise levels?				
ambier concre office f Althouguses, a affectin	uction noise is generally high level, short-term duration noise, which it noise levels near the site. Noise generated by construction extermixers and portable generators can reach high levels. The projection area (i.e., approximately 13,000 square feet), necessitating the construction activities have the potential to generate noise and any vibration anticipated to occur would not be expected to exceed adjacent properties. However, the Draft EIR will include a noise vibration impacts.	quipment, in ct calls for a the potentia d vibration d vibration I	cluding trucks, an increase in the al for some add levels that can evels that would	graders, bu e amount of litional cons impact nea d result in a	Ildozers, medical struction. rby land dversely
c)	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
addition which, that ex	Project implementation will result in an increase in daily traffic. The potential increase in traffic associated with the addition of approximately 13,000 square feet of new medical office floor could generate a significant number of daily trips which, when added to the existing and future traffic volumes along the arterial roadway system, may result in noise levels that exceed City standards. Therefore, an acoustical analysis will be prepared to evaluate to potential mobile-source noise impacts associated with the conversion of the existing development to medical office space.				
d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				
	icated above, it is possible that short-term noise levels may increation of the additional medical office floor area (i.e., 13,000 squ				

As indicated above, it is possible that short-term noise levels may increase during the grading, site preparation and construction of the additional medical office floor area (i.e., 13,000 square feet). These events have the potential to generate noise and levels that can affect nearby sensitive land uses (e.g., residential development) in the vicinity of the project site. Residential development exists in the vicinity of the project site (i.e., south of Sherington Place and north of Westcliff Drive). Therefore, it is possible that the nearby residents could be subjected to short-term construction noise. The severity of the construction noise impacts will be dictated by the type and amount of construction equipment used, the density of heavy equipment, the proximity to a noise sensitive land use area (e.g., residential), and the duration of the grading and site development process. Noise levels may reach 95 dBA at 50 feet from the source for such equipment as pneumatic hammers. These short-term noise levels are permitted by the City during normal working hours established by the Noise Control Ordinance. Therefore, the proposed development must comply with the City's Noise Element and Noise Control Ordinance to ensure that construction-related noise does not extend beyond the normal working hours.

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propert 10.26.0 Ordinal noise-g 6:00 p. grading necess the res level.	ty's Noise Control Ordinance is used to protect people from noise gety. Specifically, the ordinance addresses construction noise by regions. Do for the Newport Beach Municipal Code exempts construction noise and requires them to comply with Section 10.28 of the Code, Sequenerating construction to between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.r.m. on Saturday. Noise-generating construction activities are not any and construction hours will be restricted to those hours established ary to further minimize the potential construction noise impacts by stidential development. Implementation of such measures will reduce to Nonetheless, as previously indicated, the noise analysis conduction noise.	ulating co equipmention 10.2 m., Monda allowed of d by the trategicall he potent	onstruction hour nt from the proves 28.040 of the Co ay through Frida on Sundays or I Noise Control Only locating stagii tial impacts to a	s. Although visions of the de restricts has and 8:00 a Holidays. A Drdinance, it ag areas aw less than sig	Section e Noise nours of .m. and Ithough will be ay from gnificant	
e)	For a project located within an airport land use or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?			Ø		
airport. 13,000 signific regulat	tion of the project site is located within an airport land use plan, or wit John Wayne Airport (JWA) is located over two miles northeast of the square of new medical office floor area to the existing site as proposantly affected by aircraft operations at either JWA or other such factory standards. Therefore, no significant impacts would occur as fon measures are required.	e subject osed wou cility that	property. Additi Id neither signif would generate	ion of approxicantly affect noise in ex	imately nor be cess of	
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				<b>V</b>	
No portion of the project site is located in the vicinity of a private airstrip. Development of the subject property as proposed would neither significantly affect nor be significantly affected by aircraft operations at such a facility that would generate noise in excess of regulatory standards. Therefore, no significant impacts would occur as a result of project implementation and no mitigation measures are required.						
XIII. P	OPULATION AND HOUSING. Would the project:					
a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?				V	
Marine area ra a resu	The proposed project includes the addition of approximately 13,000 square feet of medical office floor area to the existing Mariner's Medical Arts buildings. No new or unplanned development is proposed that would exceed the maximum floor area ratio permitted by the Land Use Element of the Newport Beach General Plan or the General Commercial zoning. As a result, the proposed project would not induce substantial population growth. Furthermore, no new residential development is proposed. Therefore, no significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.					
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				$\square$	

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encomp limits o residen	eviously indicated, the project site is developed with the exist passes approximately 17,500 square feet of medical office floor are of the subject property. Project implementation, therefore, will retial dwelling units that would necessitate replacement elsewhere in gation measures are required.	ea; no resid not result in	lential development the displacem	ent exists went of any	ithin the existing	
c)	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?					
	cated above, the subject property does not support existing re nts will occur as a result of project implementation and no mitigation			no displace	ement of	
XIV. P	UBLIC SERVICES					
a)	Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, need for new or physically altered government facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:					
	Fire protection?			$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Fire protection facilities and service to the subject property are provided by the Newport Beach Fire Department (NBFD). In addition to the City's resources, the NBFD also maintains a formal automatic aid agreement with the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) and all neighboring municipal fire departments to facilitate fire protection in the City should the need arise. Station 6 located at 1348 Irvine near Mariner's Park with a crew of 3 (Captain, Engineer, and Firefighter) and 2 paramedics from Station 2 located at 475 32 <sup>nd</sup> St. would be the first in engine and medic units for a medical aid. Crews from Station 4 (124 Marine Ave on Balboa Island) and Station 2 and Station 3 (868 Santa Barbara, Fashion Island) would join them and respond as part of a regular 1 <sup>st</sup> alarm assignment if there was a fire. For a fire this would be 3 fire engines (3 personnel each), 2 tractor drawn aerial trucks (4 personnel each), 1 paramedic unit (2 personnel) and 1 Battalion Chief (1 person) for a total of 20 personnel and 7 pieces of apparatus.  Based on three years of data (May 2008 – May 2011) for the area on Westcliff between Dover and Irvine Ave to Cliff Drive						

(i.e., project area) there were 1,041 Emergency Incidents in this measured test polygon. A total of 31 "Fire" (Effective response force) Incidents occurred, resulting in an average response time of 5:34 from the 911 call to first unit on arrived. In addition there were 700 "EMS" medical aid incidents with an average total response time of 4:51. Both of these average response times meet NBFD objectives. Emergency response times are not expected to be adversely affected

and an increase in fire department staffing would not be required as a result of the proposed project.

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comply with the countries ite, water flow in responder access medical aid responder access medical aid responder the public using always need to be by City staff to enough the project comparison.	be designed to include all necessary fire protection deverrent Building and Fire Codes adopted by the City. Deeds for this area must be determined as well as the least of this area must be determined as well as the least of this area must be determined as well as the least of this area must be determined as well as the least of this area must be determined to accurately, the City's Fire and Building Codes help features prescribed in these codes, buildings with effecting them are intended to minimize fire hazards. The management of the adjusted to meet the demand for public safety services are that adequate water pressure and related features lies with the California Fire Code (CFC) and related uding fire hydrants, exist in the vicinity of the project, and vices.	ue to the ince number of commodate or mitigate portive fire protenanpower, and a code corequired by different code.	creased size of hydrants requirent an EMS gurney tential problems ection systems apparatus and empliance analysisthe City are pross. Adequate	development red and em of for the em through pre- and warning quipment ne- sis will be co- vided to ens- water suppl	ergency ergency vention. devices eeds will nducted sure that ies and		
Police pro	tection?			$\overline{\checkmark}$			
the corporate limi intersection of Jan currently has a ra population. Police of the subject site not result in any e	The Newport Beach Police Department (NBPD) is responsible for providing police and law enforcement services within the corporate limits of the City. The Police Department headquarters is located at 870 Santa Barbara Drive, at the intersection of Jamboree Road and Santa Barbara, approximately two miles northeast of the subject property. The NBPD currently has a ratio of 1.91 sworn officers for each 1,000 residents in the City. This ratio is adequate for the current population. Police and law enforcement service in the City is provided by patrols with designated "beats." Development of the subject site as proposed would not require an expansion to local law enforcement resources and therefore would not result in any environmental impacts involving construction of new law enforcement facilities. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.						
Schools?				$\overline{\checkmark}$			
The provision of educational facilities and services in the City of Newport Beach is the responsibility of the Newport-Mesa Unified School District. Residential and non-residential development are subject to the imposition of school fees. Payment of the State-mandated statutory school fees is the manner by which potential impacts to the District's educational facilities are mitigated. No residential development is proposed that would generate school-age children. New or expanded school facilities would not be required as a result of project implementation. However, as indicated above, the project applicant must pay the applicable school fee for non-residential projects to the school district, pursuant to Section 65995 of the California Government Code. The fees will be assessed based on the gross floor area approved by the City and shall be paid prior to the issuance of the occupancy permit. No significant impacts would occur as a result of project implementation and no mitigation measures are required.							
Other pub	lic facilities?						
The proposed project includes only the modification of existing medical office buildings and the construction of a new medical office building on the subject property. As a result, an increased demand for other public services is not anticipated and there would be no need to construct any new public facilities. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.							
XV. RECREATIO	N						
and region	project increase the use of existing neighborhood nal parks or other recreational facilities such that all physical deterioration of the facility would occur or rated?				V		

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The project will not result in the construction of any residential homes on the site. The subject site is located in Service Area 3 (Newport Heights/Upper Bay), which currently supports 50.2 acres of existing parkland (i.e., combined park and beach acreage). Although there is a deficit of about 14.1 acres of parkland "needs" based on the City's current requirements, no residential development is proposed that would create a demand for public recreation within the City. Furthermore, the applicant would not be subject to the payment of in-lieu park fees required for residential subdivisions pursuant to Title 19 of the Newport Beach Municipal Code. Therefore, no significant impacts to recreational facilities are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.						
b)	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction of or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment? Opportunities?				Ø	
facilities residen	pment of the site as proposed would not require the construction of sin the City of Newport Beach. As indicated above, no resident its would be generated by the project that would result in potential rt Beach. Therefore, no significant impacts are anticipated and no result.	ial developa I impacts to	ment is propose o recreational fa	ed and no ad cilities in the	Iditional	
XVI. T	RANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC Would the project:					
a)	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation, including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?	Ø				
Intensification of the existing Mariner's Medical Arts buildings with the addition of approximately 13,000 square feet of additional medical office floor area for a total about 30,257 square feet of medical office uses could result in a substantial increase in traffic that could impact roadways and intersections in the project environments and surrounding areas. A TPO/Cumulative Traffic Analysis will be conducted that evaluates several key intersections to determine the nature and extent of potential project related and cumulative impacts that may occur as a result of project implementation. The findings and recommendation of this analysis will be presented in the Draft EIR.						
b)	Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standard and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?	Ø				
As indicated above, the proposed project, which includes the addition of approximately 13,000 square feet of professional and medical office floor area will result in the generation of additional traffic that will be added to the circulation system serving the project area. The traffic impact analysis prepared for the project will evaluate the adequacy of the key study intersections and their ability to accommodate future traffic levels, including that generated by the proposed project.						
c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				Ø	

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As previously indicated, 1.65-acre property is located within for the Airport Environs Land Use Plan (AELUP) Notification Area (i.e., FAR Part 77) for JWA. The subject property is located outside the John Wayne Airport Impact Zones and outside the 60 dBA CNEL noise contour; therefore, operations at JWA would not pose a safety hazard for the existing medical office building related facilities or future occupants and/or visitors at the site. The City's General Plan is consistent with the AELUP for JWA. Since the proposed project does not require an amendment to the General Plan or Zoning Code, will not exceed 200 feet above ground level, and does not include the development of a heliport/helistop, the project does not require review by the Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) for a determination of consistency in accordance the AELUP. Project implementation would not result in any change that would result in significant safety risks. Therefore, no significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.							
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?	Ø					
During the construction phases, a variety of construction vehicles, including large delivery trucks, concrete pumpers, dump trucks, and a variety of passenger vehicles, will travel to and from the subject property. On some occasions, there will be a number of medium and heavy trucks that could add to local congestion levels and possibly affect through-traffic for short periods of time. Although potential conflicts are anticipated to be less than significant, implementation of a construction traffic management plan, which is required by the City of Newport Beach, would ensure that any conflicts resulting during the construction phase would be minimized. In addition, if the site is not designed to facilitate on-site circulation and parking, potential conflicts in the internal circulation may occur. Therefore, the traffic impact analysis will evaluate the internal circulation and relationship with adjacent properties, ingress and egress, and related project elements to determine if potential adverse impacts occur.							
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access?			$\overline{\checkmark}$			
Primary direct vehicular access to the subject property is from a driveway located along Westcliff Drive. Direct vehicular access is also provided along Sherington Place at two locations, including one existing driveway and one proposed driveway. Adequate emergency access would exist to serve the proposed project. Nonetheless, the Newport Beach Fire Department will conduct a code compliance analysis with the City's Building Department to ensure that adequate emergency access is provided.							
f)	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)?			Ø			
The proposed project is consistent with long-range plans and policies articulated in the Newport Beach General Plan. The project is located in an area of the City that is served by public transportation (OCTA bus service) and public transit access is available in the project vicinity along Westcliff Drive. OCTA Route 55 (Santa Ana to Newport Beach) extends along Westcliff Drive along a portion of the route before terminating at Fashion Island. No bicycle routes exist in the immediate vicinity of the project site; however, Class I bicycle lanes (i.e., lanes in the street) exist on Irvine Avenue and Dover Drive west and east of the site, respectively. The project is located in proximity to existing retail and commercial development. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.							
XVII. UTILITIES & SERVICE SYSTEMS. Would the project:							
a)	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?						

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Wastewater from the City's sewer system is treated by the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD), which is responsible for safely collecting, treating, and disposing the wastewater generated by 2.3 million people residing in central and northwest Orange County. Raw sewage generated in the City is treated at the OCSD Treatment Plant No. 2 in Huntington Beach, which has a treatment capacity of 276 million gallons per day (mgd). Treatment of raw sewage includes preliminary treatment, primary treatment, anaerobic digestion, secondary treatment, and solids handling. Treatment Plant No. 2 is operating at approximately 55 percent of its design capacity. A majority of the City's sewage flow is pumped to OCSD Plant No. 2, while flows from the portion of the City north of the Corona del Mar Freeway (SR-73) are pumped to Plant No. 1.

Wastewater generated by the proposed project would be the same as other similar developments in the City and would not contain hazardous waste or other pollutants. Because approximately 17,500 square feet of medical office floor area exist on the subject property, the site currently generates approximately 3,600 gallons per day (gpd) of raw sewage. Upon completion of the proposed project, that amount is expected increase to approximately 6,200 gpd based on the gross floor area of the proposed increase in floor area. The raw sewage generated by the project would be disposed into the existing sewer system and would continue to be transported to OCSD Treatment Plant No. 2, which has adequate capacity to accommodate the City's buildout needs for waste treatment. As a result, project implementation would not exceed existing treatment infrastructure and expansion would not be required. Furthermore, the treatment needs for the proposed project would not exceed wastewater treatment standards of the Regional Water Quality Control Board. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.

b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?

The City of Newport Beach owns/maintains sewer laterals and mains serving the project site. The existing collection system for the City consists of over 200 miles of gravity and force flow sewer mains, varying in size from two inches to 15 inches in diameter. Residential and commercial wastewater collected by the City's wastewater collection system is transported using a system of 21 pump stations for treatment to OCSD as described above. There is an existing 8-inch sewer main on Westcliff Drive and two sewer laterals that currently service the subject property. It is anticipated that these facilities can accommodate the potential increase in raw sewage that would be generated by the approximately 13,000 square foot increase in floor area.

Water demand and wastewater generation will not increase significantly as a result of the proposed increase in medical office floor area on the site. The proposed project is within the land use projections of the City, which are the basis of future water demands and wastewater generation within Newport Beach. Assuming a water demand factor that is approximately similar to the sewage generation factor for commercial development (i.e., 200 gpd/1,000 square feet), the proposed project would generate a demand for approximately 6,200 gallons of domestic water per day, compared to the existing demand of about 3,600 gpd. The project will connect to existing water and wastewater facilities in the project vicinity. No expansion of these facilities is necessary due to existing capacity based on the City's Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP). Based on a preliminary analysis of the proposed project conducted by the City, there is adequate capacity to meet the demands of the proposed project for both sewer and water. Nonetheless, the applicant must provide estimated hydraulic calculations for both water and sewer peak demands to the City of Newport Beach so that they can be compared with the demands estimated in the water and sewer master plans. If it is determined upon review of the hydraulic calculations submitted to the City that there are impacts based on peak flow information, the project applicant will be required to improve the sewer and/or water system as determined necessary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Sewage generation rate of 200 gallons/day/1,000 square feet of commercial floor area (Final EIR, Newport Beach General Plan; 2006).

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c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?			Ø	
accominated hardsc designed drain fastorm of flows godischarge discharge accominated hardscanning flows accominated hardscan	oject will not result in a significant increase in impervious surface at modate surfaced parking or it is covered by structures and other ape). The additional hardscape will result in a small increase in ed to ensure that surface runoff will be directed to existing facilities acilities have adequate capacity to accommodate existing or future drainage facilities will be incorporated into the project design to accommodate on the subject property will be collected, treated, and reged as required by the City. Therefore, the increase in project-regard impact and no mitigation measures are required.	impervious runoff duri . As indicat re storm flo ccommodate id conveyed	surfaces (e.g., ing storm period ed in Section VI ws. In addition post-development to Newport B	walkways and walkways walkways and walkways	nd other will be ng storm MPs and All storm will be
d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?				

See response to XVI.b above. The City of Newport Beach provides water service within the project vicinity. The City's water supplies include: (1) 35 percent imported water purchased from the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC); (2) 65 percent groundwater pumped from the Orange County Groundwater Basin; and (3) reclaimed water. The City currently maintains a total system capacity of approximately 200 million gallons in three facilities. According to the City's 2005 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP), water supplies can continue to meet the city's imported water needs until the year 2030. Beyond that date, improvements associated with the State Water Project supply, additional local projects, conservation, and additional water transfers would be needed to adequately serve the City. However, during short-term periods of water supply reductions, the City would implement its water shortage contingency plan.

The City of Newport Beach maintains domestic water distribution facilities in the project area. A total of over 210 miles of water infrastructure exists within the City's service area, with water being delivered via transmission mains and distribution lines. Existing water lines range from one to 36 inches in diameter, with the majority of the pipelines ranging from 8 to 12 inches. Transmission mains convey water to various sections of the distribution system and the distribution lines deliver water to local areas. In addition, the City's water infrastructure includes five pump stations and 45 (including two reclaimed) pressure reducing stations. The water distribution system is divided into five major pressure zones that serve elevations from sea level to 725 feet above sea level. The City maintains an 8-inch water main on Sherington Place and a 6-inch water main on Westcliff Drive, which currently serve the subject property. The City does not own or maintain any recycled water facilities in the project environs and does not anticipate any future plans to extend recycled water in the project area due to cost restrictions. The City sells recycled water from the Green Acres Project that originates in Fountain Valley, which currently services the Eastbluff area and is limited by supply from Orange County Water District.

As indicated in the City's General Plan EIR, additional development accommodated under the General Plan would increase water use within the City, thus increasing the need for water treatment services. However, as indicated above, the proposed project includes an increase in medical office floor area that would not exceed the maximum 0.5 FAR permitted by the CG zoning, which is the basis of future water demands for the subject property. As a result, the average demand for domestic water would increase to approximately 6,200 gallons per day (gpd) from the existing demand of about 3,600 gpd. The City's maximum day and peak hour demand factors for water demand are 1.31 and 1.85, respectively, As previously indicated, MWD has indicated that it can meet all of the City's imported water needs through 2030. In addition, Orange County Water District anticipates that there would also be sufficient groundwater supplies to meet projected future demand requirements in the City.

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The proposed project does not exceed the maximum floor area permitted in the General Plan for the project site; therefore, future project-related water demands would not exceed General Plan projections for domestic water. Project implementation would increase demand by about 3,600 gpd over the existing floor area (and less than less than the potential increase of 6,200 gpd that could be generated by the maximum FAR (0.5) permitted by the zoning for the subject property. As indicated for sewer (refer to XVI.b), there is sufficient capacity in the City's water supply system to meet the demands of the proposed project. However, hydraulic calculations for peak water demands must be submitted to the City for comparison to the demands of the water master plan. Should it be determined that a deficiency exists in the system, the applicant will be required to implement improvements in order to serve the proposed project. In addition, the Newport Beach General Plan has identified the minimization of water consumption as one of its goals in the Natural Resources Element. The proposed project would be subject to the policies that would achieve that goal, including limiting water usage, prohibitions on activities that waste water or cause runoff, and water efficient landscaping and irrigation in conjunction with other water conserving devices and practices in new construction. The proposed project will include water conservation techniques that would be incorporated into the project design to ensure that domestic water demands are minimized. Specifically, water conservation measures will be required on the proposed project. Therefore, no significant direct or cumulative impacts are anticipated based on the findings in the City's General Plan EIR; no mitigation measures are required.						
e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider, which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				Ø	
See response to XVI.b above. As indicated in that response, the proposed project includes only the addition of approximately 13,000 square feet of professional/medical office floor area to the existing 17,500 square feet that currently occupy the site. No significant additional raw sewage would be generated by the proposed project. Adequate sewer collection, conveyance and treatment facilities exist to accommodate the incremental increase in raw sewage resulting from the development of the proposed project. Therefore, no impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.						
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?					
Project implementation will result in the generation of demolition/construction debris and some refuse during the construction phase; however, it would be relatively small and would not adversely affect existing capacities at the County's sanitary landfills. Based on the City's General Plan EIR, it is anticipated that the Orange County landfill system will have adequate capacity to operate until 2035. Long-term solid waste generation would be expected to be increase proportionately to that currently generated by the existing medical office buildings based on the percentage of increase in floor area (72 percent). However, the increase in refuse would not be significant and no significant impacts to the existing landfills are anticipated as a result of the additional medical office floor area. With the remaining capacity of approximately 44 million tons, as well as a 15-year lifespan at the Frank R. Bowerman Sanitary Landfill (without the proposed expansion that would extend the life of this facility to 2053), the City-wide potential increase in solid waste due to General Plan buildout, including the proposed project, would not result in the exceedance of capacity of that landfill. In addition, AB 939 mandates the reduction of solid waste. As a result, it is anticipated that at least a 50 percent reduction in refuse would be required. Therefore, the project will not result in a significant increase in solid waste production due to the proposed project. Existing landfills are expected to have adequate capacity to serve the site and the proposed use. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.						
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?			$\square$		

Solid waste will be picked up by a commercial provider licensed by the City of Newport Beach. All federal, state and local regulations related to solid waste will be adhered to through this process. No significant impacts are anticipated and no mitigation measures are required.					
XVIII.	MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE.				
a)	Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major period of California history or prehistory?	☑			
The site is entirely developed with a professional/medical office building and parking lot and has been altered from its natural state. Although it does not support sensitive habitat and/or sensitive plant or animal species and, therefore, would not reduce the habitat of a wildlife species and/or threaten to eliminate one or more sensitive plant species, the subject property does support structures designed by noted architect Richard Neutra and are recognized as historically important. Development of the site as proposed may result in potentially significant impacts that could adversely affect the historic integrity of the existing medical office development. Therefore, a Draft EIR shall be prepared to evaluate these potentially significant effects.					
b)	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.)	☑			
Expansion of the existing Mariner's Medical Arts buildings as proposed would result in an increase in the intensity of development. No significant impacts to biological resources, mineral resources, population and housing, agricultural resources or other environmental resources would occur. In addition, the proposed project would result in a similar volume of storm runoff and an improvement in the quality of the water prior to its discharge when compared to the existing use of the site as a result of the implementation of BMPs and water quality features that would be implemented with the proposed project in order to avoid potentially significant water quality impacts. Therefore, the project would not contribute to the cumulative degradation of the environment or exacerbate unacceptable environmental conditions (e.g., biological resources, etc.) when considered with other projects proposed in the project environs. However, the proposed project would result in an increase in professional/medical office floor area. Although the increase would not exceed the maximum FAR permitted by the CG zoning, the additional floor area would result in the generation of additional traffic that could add cumulative to future traffic levels on the surrounding arterial system and adversely affect levels of service along adjacent and nearby roadways and intersections. In addition, the increase in traffic generated by the proposed project could also add incrementally to the air pollutant burden within the South Coast Air Basin. In addition, project implementation could adversely affect the historic integrity of the existing structure, which has been identified as historically important by the City of Newport Beach. Finally, increase in vehicular trips could also cause an increase in ambient noise levels in the project area. Therefore, a Draft EIR shall be prepared to evaluate these potentially significant effects.					
c)	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?				

Potentially	Less Than	Less than	No
Significant	Significant With	Significant	Impact
Impact	Mitigation	Impact	
	Incorporated		

As indicated above and in the preceding analysis, the proposed project could result in potentially significant impacts to historic resources that exist on the site. In addition, the increase in traffic could result in project-related and/or cumulative impacts at key intersections within the project environs, and an increase in mobile-source pollutant emissions both during construction and in the long-term as well as short- and long-term noise increases that could adversely affect residents and employees in the project environs. Therefore, a Draft EIR will be prepared to evaluate to the potentially significant effects that may occur as a result of project implementation.

#### XIX. ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

This section of the Initial Study evaluates the potential environmental impacts of the proposed project and provides explanations of the responses to the Environmental Checklist. The environmental analysis in this section is patterned after the questions in the Environmental Checklist. Under each issue area, a general discussion of the existing conditions is provided according to the environmental analysis of the proposed Project's impacts. To each question, there are four possible responses:

- **No Impact.** The proposed project will not have any measurable environmental impact on the environment.
- Less Than Significant Impact. The proposed project will have the potential for impacting the environment, although this impact will be below thresholds that may be considered significant.
- Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated. The proposed project will have potentially significant adverse impacts which may exceed established thresholds; however, mitigation measures or changes to the proposed project's physical or operational characteristics will reduce these impacts to levels that are less than significant. Those mitigation measures are specified in the following sections. Each recommended mitigation measure has been agreed to by the applicant.
- Potentially Significant Impact. The proposed project will have impacts that are considered
  potentially significant and additional analysis is required to identify mitigation measures that could
  reduce these impacts to insignificant levels. When an impact is determined to be potentially
  significant in the preliminary analysis, the environmental issue will be subject to detailed analysis in
  an environmental impact report (EIR).

### **SOURCE LIST**

The following enumerated documents are available at the offices of the City of Newport Beach, Planning Department, 3300 Newport Boulevard, Newport Beach, California 92660.

- 1. Newport Beach General Plan; City of Newport Beach; adopted July 25, 2006.
- 2. Final Program EIR City of Newport Beach General Plan
- 3. Title 20, Zoning Code of the Newport Beach Municipal Code.
- 4. City Excavation and Grading Code, Newport Beach Municipal Code.
- 5. Chapters 10.26 and 10.28, Community Noise Ordinance of the Newport Beach Municipal Code.
- 6. South Coast Air Quality Management District, Air Quality Management Plan 1997.
- 7. South Coast Air Quality Management District, Air Quality Management Plan EIR, 1997.
- 8. Environmental Information Form; Westcliff Medical Arts Building; Mr. John Bral; No date.
- 9. Planning Application; Westcliff Medical Arts Building; Mr. John Bral; No date.
- 10. Historical Resources Assess of the Mariners' Medical Arts Building; Chattel Architecture, Planning & Preservation, Inc.; December 2008.
- 11. Preliminary Geotechnical Investigation Proposed Medical Office Building; Bagahi Engineering, Inc.; June 5, 2003.
- 12. Review of a Phase I, Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) Report Medical Office Buildings; Ami Adini & Associates, Inc.; July 2, 2003.
- 13. The EDR Radius Map for 1901 Westcliff Drive (Inquiry No. 0930479.3r); Environmental Data Resources; February 24, 2003.
- 14. City of Newport Beach Fire Department.
- 15. City of Newport Beach Utilities Department
- 16. City of Newport Beach Police Department
- 17. California Division of Mines & Geology; Special Studies Zones; Newport Beach 7.5' Quadrangle Map; July 1, 1986.